

**REMARKS**

In the Appeal Board decision dated June 15, 2009, the rejection of claims 1-15, 18-31 and 33-45 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 was reversed. The rejection of claims 16, 17 and 32 under U.S.C. § 103 was affirmed.

Claims 16, 17 and 32 have therefore been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully submit that the remaining claims, claims 1-15, 18-31 and 33-45 are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested.

CONCLUSION


The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' representative at (847) 432-7302 to facilitate prosecution of this application. If necessary, please charge any additional fees or deficiencies, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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